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SUBJECT: UPDATING OF TEHRAN BRIEFING BOOK

1. I ASSUME YOU HAVE RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM BOSWORTH CLARIFYING INFORMATION ON CIEC BASED ON HIS CLOSE ASSOCATION WITH ORGANIZATION. YOU MAY ALSO RECEIVE SEPARATE TELEGRAM ON IFAD.

IN ADDITION, KABUL

3282 HAS BEEN REPEATED TO YOU; TALKING POINTS SUGGESTED BY AMBASSADOR ELIOT SHOULD SUBSTITUTE FOR THOSE IN THE BRIEFING BOOK. FOLLOWING POINTS WILL BRING YOU UP TO DATE O; OTHER MATTERS.

2. INVITATION TO SHAH. YOU WILL RECALL THAT WHITE HOUSE SECRET

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HAS AGREED TO STATE VISIT IN NOVEMBER 1977.

3. AWACS. DOD RECOMMENDED THAT WE INCREASE SALE FROM FIVE TO NINE. YOU RECALL THAT STATE POSITION WAS TO STAY AT FIVE FOR TIME BEING. TO BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, NO DECISION HAS BEEN MADE.

- 4. INDIAN OCEAN DEMILITARIZATION. FIRST TALKING POINT CAN BE AMENDED TO READ, "WE EXPECT THE FIRST MEETING OF THIS GROUP TO TAKE PLACE IN MID-JUNE IN MOSCOW."
- 5. NUCLEAR ENERGY. NELSON SEIVERING OF ERDA TALKED THIS WEEK WITH DR. ETEMAD IN EUROPE. LATTER WAS QUITE OPTIMISTIC THAT US-IRAN AGREEMENT COULD BE REACHED WITHIN OUR NEW POLICY; HE WAS ALSO VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THE INTERNATIONAL FUEL CYCLE EVALUATION PROGRAM. ETEMAD SAID SHAH WOULD NOT TAKE INITIATIVE FOR DISCUSSION ON NUCLEAR MATTERS BUT HE EXPECTS THE SECRETARY TO DO SO.
- 6. IN SECRETARY'S TALKING POINTS WE STATED WE WOULD BE PREPARED "TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS ANYTIME AFTER JUNE..." SINCE WE DO NOT KNOW WHEN THE NEW LEGISLATION WILL BE PASSED, YOU MIGHT REVISE THIS TALKING POINT TO READ: "WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THE CONGRESS WILL ACT PROMPTLY ON THE PROPOSED ADMINISTRATION BILL ON NON-PROLIFERATION POLICY AND THAT ONCE LEGISLATION IS IN PLACE WE WILL BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD EXPEDITIOUSLY ON AN AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION WITH IRAN. IN MEANTIME WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS WITH DR. ETEMAD AT A TIME AND PLACE WHICH IS MUTUALLY CONVENIENT THE GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF OUR POLICY WHICH WILL GUIDE US IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.' CHRISTOPHER

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